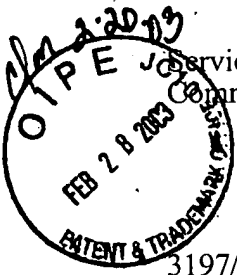


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**AMENDMENT**

This is the response to the Office Action of August 20, 2002 (a Petition for a three-month extension of time is Enclosed) in which the Examiner:

- (a) objected to the specification based on some formalities;
- (b) objected to certain language in claims 10 and 12-14
- (c) rejected claims 1-7 as obvious over De Man (U.S. 5,304,813) in view of Kaule (US 4,451,521).

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Based on the following amendments and remarks, the application is deemed to be condition for allowance and action toward that end in respectfully requested.